

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

19 AUGUST 1966

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wells Rural Electric Company was held at the Wagon Wheel in Wells, Nevada on 19 August 1966 at 1:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Jim Ballard Vice President, who presided; and Clarence Swett acted as secretary of the meeting.

Upon calling the meeting to order the secretary reported the following Directors present: JIM BALLARD, ARTHUR GROCK, THOMAS ACHURRA, VERNON DALTON, BLAINE SHARP, CLARENCE SWETT, EYER BOIES, AND RAY CRAWFORD. Absent were: C. C. Read, Robert Wright, and Matt Smith.

Mr. Ballard asked if there were any corrections to the July minutes. Minutes were approved as written.

Mr. Ballard told members that Mr. Wright had asked to be excused from this meeting.

Referring to the July minutes, the first paragraph on page 4 concerning pump contract with Kaiser, Mr. Ballard wanted to know if that was stated in our contract. Mr. Blackett answered that the contract was so worded so that they wouldn't have to pay a minimum charge but they would pay an annual minimum.

Concerning the Lee-Indian area the staking will be finished today. Poles and wire have been ordered and as soon as material is received work will begin.

The building plans are expected in this afternoon's mail. Clarification was made as to how the building would be paid. We will use general funds and notify R.E.A. and send building plans to them for approval; so that we can pay for them out of Loan Funds, if we so desire.

Discussion was had on the Wilkins project, damaged insulators, and Gus Vogeler's cooling plant to clear up questions put forth by those members who were not at the July meeting. Fred Toombs met with Mr. Vogeler and the report will be mailed to all members.

28 MOTION made by Clarence Swett and seconded by Tom Achurra that the new memberships be approved. Motion passed. There were 13 new Members for Wells and 15 for Wendover.

Mr. Ballard called for any questions on the Financial Statement. Mr. Blackett pointed out that on the Operating Report it shows margins for the year of \$14,708.00, \$25,000.00 profit in Utah and a loss of \$11,000.00 in Nevada. This indicates we will have to make more adjustments in our bookkeeping so that we charge more to Utah.

Concerning the Power Requirement Study, R.E.A. would like a Board resolution either approving or disapproving it. Mr. Blackett brought out that he is in favor of the Study, however with all this construction work going on and continuing for the next three or more years it makes it so the operation will not quite follow the Study for this time.

MOTION made by Blaine Sharp and seconded by Eyer Boies that we approve the Power Requirement Study. Motion passed.

Mr. Blackett read a letter from Mr. Duncan Gregg about future power requirements at the Bonneville Division in Wendover:..."Chemical Division Management has received an engineering estimate that indicates an additional 7,500 KW demand if the magnesium project is authorized. We are not in a position to offer assurance that the project will be approved as it will require a multi-million-dollar investment which must be approved in advance by our Board of Directors. We are, however, conducting studies and expect to operate a small pilot plant as a necessary preliminary to any recommendations for our Board. I am sorry that we can't be more specific but you can certainly indicate to Idaho Power that the choice of energy that would be used for expanded operations will depend upon cost. The present price of electric power rules it out as the major source of energy. It would, therefore, appear desirable that you emphasize this point in future negotiations with Idaho Power"...

Discussion was held concerning this letter. Mr. Vernon Dalton feels that we should start putting pressure on Idaho Power.

Lightning arrestors have been installed on the Elko Line at the Idaho Power Substation to give added protection

A temporary pole contact agreement has been made with Filer Mutual Telephone Company so they can furnish telephone service to a mining operation at Contact. This agreement is good for 1 year at which time it is hoped we can determine if a permanent type agreement will be necessary. Mr. Blackett was given the authority to do whatever was necessary on this.

California Pacific proposes to rebuild the line at Metropolis (the line is to be underground). They want our permission to install the cable on our right of way. Board Members gave their permission for the right of way to be used as long as California Pacific contacts the property owners involved.

Mr. Blackett requested that another vehicle be purchased for the use of Power Use business. Fred is using whatever he can get his hands on, he left the pickup at Wendover. Mr. Ballard brought out that it would be far cheaper to buy another vehicle than to pay mileage on a car owned by an employee.

MOTION was made by Vernon Dalton and seconded by Clarence Swett that we authorize the Manager to purchase such necessary transportation. Motion passed.

On 16 August 1966 we had a new peak of 3115, and a system peak of 3275 compared to 3145 for last year. On the 18th at 7:00 A.M. we had a peak of 2380 on Idaho Power meter.

We received the refund of \$1101.16 income tax. There was \$25.00 interest.

A letter from Oliver Sharp to thank the Board for the pen set was read by Judy Uhlig.

It was brought out by Mr. Eyer Boies that we put an exhibit in the Agricultural Building. Mr. Boydon Bain is the man to get in touch with about the irrigation display.

MOTION made by Eyer Boies and seconded by Tom Achurra that we leave the working plans of the building in the Committee's hands. Motion passed.

It was brought out that when the Committee holds a meeting to discuss the building plans all Members of the Board should be contacted to see if they would like to sit in on this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 P.M.

APPROVED:

Robert R. Wright  
Robert R. Wright, President

Clarence Swett  
Clarence Swett, Secretary

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# WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

WELLS, NEVADA 89835

MEMBERSHIPS TO BE APPROVED 19 AUGUST 1966

## WELLS

J. E. Coburn  
Warren Edwards  
D. R. Haddox  
Ray Hardy  
H. B. Hurst  
Barbara and Kent Long  
Evelyn M. McLean  
Mrs. Earl Manley  
Lloyd Martin  
Joe Parker  
R. J. Rhodes  
Lewis Sharp, Jr.  
Andrew J. Vasquez

## WENDOVER

Rodger C. Bird  
Dean L. Davis  
Banks Dri-Vor  
M. L. Gannon  
Jerry L. Howell  
Ronald Keoke  
T. E. Murphy  
Arthur J. Peasnell  
Dick Reed  
Lee N. Ross  
Eloise Sheridan  
Leona Steele  
John E. Weighall  
David E. Westerfield  
Bob Witt

*Members 1131*

<i>Active Wells</i>	<i>449</i>
<i>= Wend.</i>	<i>213</i>
<i>Inactive Wells</i>	<i>306</i>
<i>= Wend.</i>	<i>163</i>

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am the duly elected Secretary of the WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, a Nevada Corporation, and that the following is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors of said Corporation, which meeting was held in the Company Office in the City of Wells, County of Elko, State of Nevada, on the 16th day of September 1966.

RESOLVED: That Albert H. Huber, CPA Elko, Nevada be retained as Auditor for Wells Rural Electric Company subject to the approval of the Rural Electrification Administration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my name as Secretary of said Corporation and have caused the Corporate Seal of said Corporation to be hereto affixed this 6th day of April, 1967.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Lawrence C. Sweet". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "L".

Secretary